

OPINIONS AS TO THE VALUE OF BIRDS

(Written Specially for The Bulletin.)
A correspondent takes sharp issue with a recent "Talk" about the value of birds, etc., as insect destroyers, He appears to be a man who sees things with his own eyes, makes up his own mind and doesn't accept statements at accordingly a second-hand until he has verified them. second-hand until he has verified them. and gizzards of quail under magnify-He also writes a mighty breezy letter. ing gless many times, and have in no I should like to print it all, but must instance found remains of insect fool. content myself with summarizing, as Their food consists largely of foli-fairly as I can, some of the more sel-age, such as clover, sorrel, grass

ient points.

He says he is a bird-lover; has put up houses for them and fed them winters; but he wants to be rational and is able to see their faults as well as their virtues. He is especially down on the "nature-fakers" who mostly hall from the city, on "mercenary Audubonists and Blological Survey fanatics." He doesn't conceal his personal opinion that the widely quoted story about the Pennsylvania farmers who carned a \$90,000 bounty by shooting hawks and owls only to suffer a loss of \$4,000,000 soon thereafter from taken

Especially does he deride the claims for the quall and the robin. I assume that under the latter name he refers to the migratory thrush (Turdus migra-torius), which is commonly miscalled 'robin" in parts of this country "robin" in parts of this country;
"Robin Redbreast by the unusually
sentimental. He remarks that he
would rather have one toad in his garden than a hundred robins in the matter of destroying injurious insects, and would rather have a hundred toads than one robin in the matter of in-jury to garden crops, berries, etc.

I confess that what he says about this particular nuisance warmed the cockels of my own heart. For, of all the birds that fly, I have the least use for this miscalled "robin" which really resembles a robin about as much as a crow resembles a canary. Hear my friend:—"Robins are very abundant on my place, but I have never seen them eat any insect except earth worms, and these are supposed to be beneficient. I these are supposed to be beneficient. I have seen the ground under one of my pear trees where robins roosted nearpear trees where robins roosted nearly covered with the seeds of grapes they had eaten; grapes from my vines. They carry the seeds of wild cherry, shadbush, wild grape, sumac, poison ivy, and many other undesirable plants and drop them along every fence, stone wall, telegraph and telephone wire, orchard tree. They carry from orchard to orchard such pests as San Jose scale. They carry on their feet from farm to farm such diseases as hog cholera, anthrax, footand-mouth disease. If they do the slightest good I have never been able to discover it. They squawk their strident discords when brown thrashers and catbirds are singing sweetly, ers and catbirds are singing sweetly,

spolling the harmony."

Amen, Brother! As the old Quaker Amen, Brother: As the old Quaker lady who had been spilled into a muddy ditch by some fool speeder smashing into her carryall said to her own driver when that able swearer had exhausted the language of one-syllabled profamity on the offender: "Thank who had been spilled into a the examination of hundreds and thousands of Bobwhite crops and gizzards from all parts of the country and in all seasons of the year. I cannot be bring myself to consider such statements, following such long and pains you. John, for expressing my senti-

dently knows much more about them than I do. They seem to be rather plentiful in his vicinity, while they are exceedingly rare in my neighbor-hood. As to the assertions that they sometimes keep a potato patch clear of beetles, he relates this experience:— "Some years since I captured some quail in December and kept them in

age, such as clover, sorrel, grass, wintergreen, sweet fern, etc., and some grain, weedseeds, acorns, chest-

hail from the city, on "mercenary Audubonists and Blological Survey fanatics." He doesn't conceal his person al opinion that the widely quoted story about the Pennsylvania farmers who carned a \$50,000 bounty by shooting hawks and owls only to suffer a loss of \$4,000,000 soon thereafter from rodent depredations "is probably one of the many lles told by this most industrious bunch of liars the world ever produced."

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> "The Bobwhite is preeminently seed-eater, 52.87 per cent, of its food for the year consisting of seeds." * * * "Notwithstanding statements to the proportion in the food is 35.97 per cent. Moreover, the large proportion of in-jurious insects habitually eaten renders the services of this bird more val ders the services of this bird more val-uable than those of many birds whose percentage of insect food, though greater, includes a smaller proportion of injurious species. Conspicuous among the pests destroyed are the Colorado potato beetle, 12-spotted cu-cumber beetle, bean leaf beetle, squash lady-bird, wire worms and May bee-tles. From June to August, inclusive, insects and their allies form as preytles. From June to August, inclusive, insects and their allies form, as previously stated, about one-third of their food. Of this beetles make up nearly half, or 15.37 percent, bugs 8.5 percent, caterpillars 1.37 per cent, grasshoppers 6.93 per cent, miscellaneous insects 1.33 per cent, and spiders and other invertebrates 2.43 per cent."

Now, these figures are derived from the examination of hundreds and thousands of Bobwhite crops and giz-Let me add one more charge to the indictment against this arrant humburg of the air: He will pull up sprouting corn in the field, if other pillage falls short, and the twine which scares off crows hinders him not a bit. I know this, for I have seen it, and once shot one in the act, with his insides just stuffed full of my six-days planted corn. When Lawrence Bruner in his monograph on Nebraska Birds notes the finding of 101 Colorado potato beetles in a single Bobwhite's crop, I am strongly inclined to believe that he tells the truth: should so believe, even though I personally had failed to find a single beetle in a dozen crops. A dozen witnesses who didn't seep over the structure of As to quail: my correspondent eviently knows much more about them a single beetle in a dozen crops. A dozen witnesses who didn't see a crime committed cannot offset the testimony and see it.

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My correspondent asks: "Have you rison. ever seen any evidence that any birds eat tent caterpillars?" Yes, brother, I have seen such evi-

dence, though I confess that the pests hereabouts don't seem to be kept down by the birds. Ornithologist Forbush of Massachuetts reports this experiment; 'In a typical orchard in Medford, Mass., a little trouble was taken to attract the native birds *** In weighing orchards canker worms and tent caterpillars were very numerous, but in the orchard in question the trees were injured seriously in only one or two instances, though no attempt was made to control the insects by spraying or other artificial means. Following is a list of birds observed feeding on the tent caterpillar in that Medford orchard: crow, attempt was made to control the insects by spraying or other artificial
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observed feeding on the tent caterpillar in that Medford orchard: crow,
chickadee, oriole, red-eyed vireo, yellow-billed cuckoo, black-billed cuckoo,
chipping sparrow, yellow warbler."
In either this or another reported case,
a vireo with young was counted making 125 trips in a day to feed them,
and a chipping sparrow with three

and a chipping sparrow with three fiedgelings in her nest made 182 trips in a day to feed them.

A hunting neighbor, who is also a keen observer, tells me that he has seen with his own eyes blue jays and cuckous both eating tent controllers. cuckoos both eating tent caterpillars from their webs. In the case of the blue jay he reports watching the bird for many minutes, and the way he for many minutes, and the way he wolfed 'em down was good for sore eyes." He didn't undertake to keep count but he admits that the bird pretty nearly cleaned up the particular nest he was at. "I don't see for the life of me, where he could stow away inside him the caterpillars I saw him gobble down."

Dr. Felt, state entomologist of New York, calls attention to the special value of birds, as an aid in insect con-trol, by reason of their mobility. While This is testimony at first hand, and is very strong. At the same time, it is negative testimony, in a sense. So far as this correspondent's test on his quail goes, it is conclusive. That bunch didn't eat bugs and couldn't be made to eat bugs! But, if another man finds other quail eating insects and their crops and gizzards filled with its sects his long tongue can reach, and snakes also destroy many, all three are restricted in their work, confined by their cyen nature to limited localities. The birds, on the other hand, are the cavalry of the air, the Hussars and Uhlans and Cossacks of the allied arm their crops and gizzards filled with its stunk digs up lots of grubs and larvae, and the toad eats all the insects his long tongue can reach, and snakes also destroy many, all three are restricted in their work, confined by their cyen nature to limited localities. ies. They can move to any spot where their food is thickest, and their keen eyes disclose such places below them ven when in what seems aimless

etation-caters in as good check as is now done. I am not sure but it would be better done, for it is not at all unlikely that insectivorous birds pre-fer the predatory to the injurious infer the predatory to the injurious

This is putting it rather strongly, but let me conclude with another story which this keen-eyed observed reports from his own experience:-

"Years ago I noticed a piece of com-paratively new land, a few stumps be-ing still unrotted, and rented two acres for a potato patch. About the time potatoes were making their ap-pearance above the ground, a nearby farmer came by and told me the place had been rented for two or three years to an old man for a garden and truck patch, and that he had allowed the buss to eat up his potatoes, the year patch, and that he had allowed the bugs to eat up his potatoes, the year before. The adult beetles appeared in myriads soon after the plants, and soon nearly every leaf seemed to have one or more bugs and clusters of yellow eggs. I kept watching for the appearance of the young, and when they seemed unduly delayed, began an investigation. I found a small black-spotted red ladybird almost if not quite as numerous as the adult potaquite as numerous as the adult pota-to beetles, and eating the potato beeto beetles, and eating the potato beetle eggs about as fast as they were deposited. While eating the eggs they were also breeding at a great rate, and soon their young larvae were helping their parents and yours truly as no bird ever helped a farmer. Not one beetle egg in a thousand escaped, and no labor had to be expended that year on that patch killing beetles. Had hirds been plentiful which do you on that patch killing beetles. I birds been plentiful which do think they would have eaten, the There is one point my correspondent brings out in this connection that ought to be hammered home hard.

tato beetles or the lady birds? The potato bugs? Not on your life!"

THE FARMER.

LETTERS FROM TWO STATES

Tolland County COLUMBIA

Library Would Miss State Aid-Auction.

were with the family of Fred A. Hunt Saturday and Sunday.
William A. Collins Jr. and son Jas-per, of Rocky Hill, spent the week-end with their father and grandfather, William A. Colins at Chestnut Hill.

Pastor Absent. Rev. E. O. Foster announced from the pulpit Sunday, that he would be absent after Wednesday of this week

week and calling on friends in town.

may be tempted to read some of the books that have hitherto remained un-

Auction At Little Place. Mrs. E. E. Little disposed of her cousehold effects Tuesday at public

HEBRON

Special Mothers' Day Services to Be Held, in Charge of Miss Dorothy

to the house with Mr. Bloom.
Mr. John August has rented the
Dick Hanna farm and is moving into Carl Jones has ended work at the ost office in Amston. Very few here have their gardens lanted.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Frink of Springfield and Mrs. J. T. Murphy of Willimantic were calling on friends

Daniel Horton was home over Sunday.
Tomorrow (Sunday), May 9th,
Mothers' day, the service will be in

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Local Team Wins Opening Game

Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt of New Haven

present and rendered several selec-tions before the game.

William H. Bliss, Supervisor of Schools. in the northern portion of the state, with headquarters at Win-sted, was at his home in this place last

Would Miss State Aid. "new books" to select from, patrons

called for. Charles K. Hitchcock has purchased handsome automobile. Mrs. Ruth Tucker and daughter entertained relatives from Hartford and

auction. The auction was well attend-ed with fair results. S. B. West was auctioneer. Mrs. Little is boarding at J. A. Utley's.

Mr. Dillett of Amston has moved in-Mrs. E. T. Smith, Mrs. Loren Waldo, Miss M. C. Frink and Miss L. Bidwell were in Willimantic Tuesday.

here Sunday. Mrs. H. F. Tennant and children were at Mrs. Tennant's mother's, Mrs.

M. F. Frink over Sunday.

Miss Genevieve Little and Miss
Norton were at George Little's over Mrs. Marietta Horton of Hartford is visiting at Edmund Horton's.

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charge of Miss Dorothy Clark, There will be special music, Miss Helen Gilbert and Miss Mary Lord were home over Sunday.

Deacon E. T. Smith is unable to at tend church yet. Dr. C. H. Pen-dleton took his place at the commu-nion service Sunday.

WILLINGTON

May Day Party With Winding of May Pole-Sermon to Young People.

There was a delightful May day party on the Hill Saturday in which some fifty children participated. There were many pretty games, including the driving of hoops and running races. Rev. E. O. Foster announced from the pulpit Sunday, that he would be absent after Wednesday of this week for the remainder of the week and the coming Sunday, as he expected to be in Eastern Massachusetts, during that time.

Columbias Won.

The opening game of the season was played on the Green last Saturday by the local nine and the Grex Club of Willimantic. Colubia won, 20 to 9.

The newly formed Columbia band was present and rendered several selections.

driving of hoops and running races. There was singing in the town-hall under the leadership of Miss Dunning that all enjoyed, but the prettiest of all was the winding and unwinding of the maze of bright ribbons attached to the tall flag pole on the green by a ring of merry children, under the supervision of Mrs. C. V. Smith, Miss Pauline Chalker being an able assistant. There were representatives from most of the schools but Miss Fenton was the only teacher present.

There were 49 at Bible school Sunday afternoon and a large congregation day afternoon and a large congregation to listen to Rev. E. W. Darrow's fine sermon to the young people. The words of his text were from 1st John 2nd chapter 14th verse: "I write unto you young men because you are strong", and the injunction of Timo-thy-"Let no man despise thy youth." are There were five stringed instruments It is reported that the state is likely to withhold its usual yearly grant of books to the various public libraries in the congregation. Next Sunday the discourse will be for those of middle age and the third in the series to the Rev. and Mrs. Darrow made a trip was very poorly attended. The no New York this week.

Washington County, R. I. HOPKINTON

to New York this week.

School Committee Hears Reports-Commissioner To Investigate Public Schools In North Part of Town.

The school committee of Hopkinton met at the home of the clerk, Miss Clara A. Olney in Hope Valley, Mon-day morning with all the members present, also Henry J. Wheeler, Superintendent of Schools. The annual re-ports of the school committee, super-intendent of schools, principals of the two high schools and critic teacher of the training school at Ashaway were read and the clerk was instructed to have three hundred copies of the same printed in pamphlet form for distribution among the taxpayers at the an-nual financial town meeting, May 20th.

Request School Investigation.

A committee from the Hope Valley Board of Trade, Frank E. Nichols, Hartford P. Brown and Herbert E. Lewis appeared before the school committee requesting that they invite the Commissioner of Public Schools of Rhode Island, Hon. Walter E. Renger, to investigate the public schools in the north part of the town and report his opinion of their condition, as soon as possible. They also erquested that the alumni association of the Hope Valley high school be allowed to use so much of the schoolhouse in that village as may be necessary for holding its annual meeting, reception and banquet. Both requests were granted.

Will Aid Clean-up Work. The town council held its monthly The town council held its monthly session in the town hall Monday afternoon. Bill were ordered paid to the amount of \$515.43. George M. Fish, surveyor of highways in District No. 3, was instructed to furnish a man and team to cart away rubbish on some clean-unday to be designated by the clean-up day to be designated by the Woman's Club, of Hope Valley.

Probate Matters.

At a probate court the council admitted the will of Paul M. Barber deceased to probate and confirmed C. Angeline Barber as executrix. Angeline Barber as executrix.

Petitions for the probate of the will of Lucia M. Meserve, deceased, for the appointment of an administrator on the estate of said Lucia M. Meserve and the appointment of a guardian of the person and estate of Lucius Howard Meserve were referred to June 7th with order of notice.

The first and final account of Elizabeth E. Jayzer, executrix of the will

the estate of Abby T. Sherman was likewise referred to the same date. Mrs. A. Irene Mills has gone to Mys-

June 17th, 1914. beth E. Jagger, executrix of the will of Mary A. Edwards, deceased, was allowed and ordered recorded. allowed and ordered recorded.

The first and final account of Sarah A. Langworthy, ecceutrix of will of Benjamin P. Langworthy 2nd., deceased, was received and referred to June 7th, with order of notice.

The petition of Mary A. V. Hill for her appointment as edministratrix of the estate of John M. Hill, deceased, was referred to June 7th with order of notice. Also the petition of Jeremiah K. Sherman for the appointment of Clarence E. Roche as administrator on the estate of Abby T. Sherman was E. L. M.

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Mrs. Harriet C. Kenyon last week Wednesday. There was a good at-tendance and an interesting program. Charles I. Blake, of Ashaway, was a recent visitor with friends in Taunton, Mass.
The peach orchard of George H.
Sprague is a beautiful sight, being in full bloom.

RICHMOND

Rebecca Fagan Returns-George D. Matterson Recovering From Burns,

Charles Reynolds of Arcadia was through this section Wednesday. Joshua Boss and son, Charles, were callers at Robert E, Moore's on Sun-Leonard Joslin has been spending a week recently with his son, Leonard Joslin, Jr., of Boston.

Mrs. Everett R. Moore is at the home of Mrs. Joshua Boss for a few

days.

Rebecca Fagan who disappeared a long time ago has returned to the home of Elam James.

Samuel Wright made a call on George D. Matterson who was seriously burned, is slowly recovering.

Eber J. Sherman was in Hope Valley. Tuesday.

USQUEPAUGH

Joe Bagley of Massachusetts is at Miss Fannie Woodmansee and Miss osie Sullivan were callers at Hillsdale Tuesday. Mrs. Fannie Bichnell, who has been spending the winter at Dr. Kenyon's returned Tuesday to her home at

Mrs. Esther Kenyon, who has been spending the winter with her daughter, at Arctic, returned home on Tues day for the summer. day for the summer.

Robbie Moore of Richmond was a caller in the village, Sunday,

J. T. Wilcox of Exeter, was a caller here Wednesday.

WEEKAPAUG

Robert Smithers and family Robert Smithers and family of Providence, have moved into the Rob-inson cottage for the summer. Mrs E. E. Carpenter, Miss Blanch Carpenter and Mrs. Cleveland Car-penter spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. George H. Noyes. Ethan Pendleton has moved into the new bungalow which he has recently built

E. B. Langworthy of Rockhaven hotel, is ill with grip.
Mrs. E. B. Langworthy, who has
been visiting her mother in Westerly, as returned home.

ROCKVILLE

The funeral services of Mrs. Phebe Saturday. The Loval Workers served a varity supper last Saturday evening in the vacant parsonage. new pastor and family are exclayton Kenyon, who has been em-ployed at Easton, Mass., for several months, is at home again.

A paper lifeboat that can be packed away in a space of about one cubic foot, but which when inflated, is sea-worthy and durable, is the invention of a retired admiral of the Japanese nays. The boat is constructed from the Japanese paper called "hashi-kirazu", which is treated chemically to make it waterproof. The paper comes from the mulberry tree. It is unusually durable, and possesses great strength when the stresses are in the direction of the fibre. A thin sheet of paper that is strong when stressed in any direction is made

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by pasting together two sheets with the fibres crossing at right angles. This is the way in which the paper boats are constructed. The first boat manufactured by the admiral consist-ed merely of a large pillow with a de-pression in the centra, the whole heim pression in the centre, the whole being inflated with air. Because of the ease with which paper can be punctured, it was necesary to change the method of construction, so several pipe-like bags were made and placed side by side in the form of a raft, which finally was modified to the form of a boat.

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Fortunes in Free Cigars.

Besides the privilege of having newspapers and novels read to him while world-famed Bock y Ca., once declar he works, the Cuban cigar-maker de-mands another indulgence—that of his factory and plantations to his em cheering his labors with cigars pro-ployees if in return they undertook t

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